

Fourth Sunday in Lent



SUNDAY WORSHIP
MARCH 11, 2018

Welcome to Worship

We are so glad that you have joined us for worship this morning and we want you to know that you are always welcome. Regardless of who you are, where you come from, what you do professionally or in your spare time, there is always a place for you here at Greystone.

GETTING CONNECTED AT GBC

You can give us a record of your visit by filling out the blue **Friendship Pads** as they are passed down the pews during the service. This will give us a chance to connect with you and help you learn more about Greystone. You can also ask one of the Ministers or Ushers who will direct you to information about our church. We also invite you to visit our website where you'll learn more about Greystone.

YOUR WHOLE FAMILY IS WELCOME!

Worship Care is available in our preschool area for babies to five-year-olds during both the 8:45 and 11:00 services. If you would like your children to participate in Worship Care, please stop by the check-in desk to register and drop off your children. We also have activity bags available for children of all ages. They are located in the basket near the entrance to the Sanctuary.

We hope you find Greystone to be a vibrant, diverse community of faith. Our members come from a wide-range of spiritual backgrounds and life experiences. All of them care deeply for each other and the world around them. At Greystone, we believe **"Every Member is a Minister."** We pray your worship with us today leads you further down the path of God's calling upon your life.

Reflection

All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else.

But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

- Ephesians 2:3-7

Where have you seen a moment of resurrection this week? Take a moment to write about it on the Post-it provided and share it on the Reformation Door at the back of the Sanctuary.

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, March 11

8:45 & 11:00 am

At the opening of this hour of worship,
take a moment to prepare your hearts.
*Be sure to sign the Friendship Pad located in
your pews and pass it down the row.*

Prelude	“More Love to Thee” Tim Hendrix, Organ	arr. Evanovich
Welcome		Allan Smith
✠ Hymn 348	My Savior’s Love (I Stand Amazed) Stanzas 1, 2, 4 and 5	MY SAVIOR’S LOVE
	<i>Children come forward during the last stanza</i>	
Children’s Message		Jerry Chiles
Worship Reflection	“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” Tim Hendrix, Organ	arr. Mallory
Prayer of Repentance		Amanda Atkin
Scripture Reading	Ephesians 2:1-8	

* 8:45 worship service / ** 11:00 worship service

✠ All who are able, are invited to stand

Hearing devices and large-print hymnals are available at the back of the sanctuary.

1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day; Christ on the
 2. Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face, bear - ing the
 3. Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for through Your

road to Cal - va - ry; Tried by sin - ful men,
 awe - some weight of sin; Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,
 suf - fring I am free. Death is crushed to death,

torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood.
 ev - 'ry e - vil deed crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.
 life is mine to live, won through Your self - less love!

REFRAIN

1st & 2nd This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came
 Last This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God

sin for us; Took the blame, bore the
 slain for us. What a love, what a

shame; We stand for - giv - en at the cross!
 cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross!

✠ Offertory Prayer

David Ammons

Vocal Offertory

“In Need” (R. King)

Vocal Ensemble

✠ Response 813

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Scripture Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

Allan Smith

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

**** Anthem**

“He Covers Me” (Courtney)

Adult Choir

Sermon

“Snakes Alive!”

Tony Cartledge

Discipline of Silence

Take a moment to hear what the Spirit may be speaking to you.

✠ **Hymn 539**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

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A minister will be at the front during this time to welcome any prayer need or decision you would like to share - whether it is to publicly profess faith in Christ or to join the Greystone church family. Respond as God's Spirit leads.

✠ **Passing the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor Search Team Update

Celebrating Community

April Alston

✠ **Sending Song 348**

My Savior's Love

MY SAVIOR'S LOVE

**How marvelous, how wonderful! And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous, how wonderful is my Savior's love for me!**

✠ **Benediction**

April Alston

Give up harsh words: **use generous ones.**
Give up unhappiness: **take up gratitude.**
Give up anger: **take up gentleness and patience.**
Give up pessimism: **take up hope and optimism.**
Give up worrying: **take up trust in God.**
Give up complaining: **value what you have.**
Give up stress: **take up prayer.**
Give up judging others: **discover Christ within them.**
Give up sorrow and bitterness: **fill your heart with joy.**
Give up selfishness: **take up compassion for others.**
Give up being unforgiving: **learn reconciliation.**
Give up words: **fill yourself with silence, and listen to others.**
Give up the ways of death: **practice resurrection.**

Postlude

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (reprise)
Tim Hendrix, Organ

arr. Mallory, Whitworth

Worship Notes

The flowers today are provided by Ann Shoaf "In grateful thanks for April, Amanda, Mike and Allan for getting us through this time of transition".

A carnation is placed at the front in honor of Pauline Noble's 98th birthday on March 12.

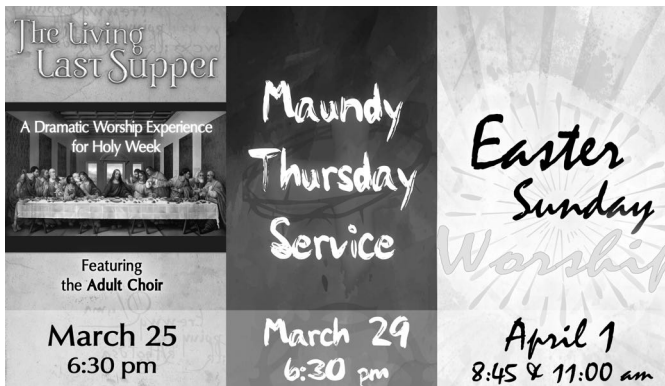
Today's Worship Leaders

Dr. Tony Cartledge - We welcome back to Greystone, Dr. Tony Cartledge, as our guest proclaimer this morning. Tony has taught Old Testament, writing, and ministry courses at Campbell University Divinity School since 2007. He has published hundreds of articles and five books as sole author (*Vows in the Old Testament and the Ancient Near East*, *1 & 2 Samuel*, *Intrigued*, *How I Love to Proclaim It*, *Tall Tales and Deep Truths*, *Sessions with Genesis*, and *Sessions with Samuel*). He is co-author of *A Whole New World: Life after Bethany* and *Job: Into the Fire, Out of the Ashes*, and *I'm in Cells: the Captivating Story of Bob Barker and the Bob Barker Company*. In addition to his teaching responsibilities at Campbell, Cartledge writes a weekly

Sunday School curriculum called "Nurturing Faith" and is Contributing Editor for the national news journal *Baptists Today*.

David Ammons, Deacon of the Week (dwammons9504@gmail.com, 919-847-4815) is the Deacon of the Week this morning. He joined in July of 1985, is a member of the Salt and Light class and is married to Leigh. David serves on the Usher Team.

Jerry Chiles is married to Patsy. They joined in November of 2012 and are members of The Edge class. Jerry serves on the Missions Committee and is on the Interim Pastor Search Team.



Living Last Supper* - Join us on Sunday, March 25 at 6:30 PM for an Upper Room experience of the Last Supper - a dramatic, multi-sensory program featuring music, drama and narration. We will take communion together and, through music and art, remember the last week of Christ, a week that would change everything.

Maundy Thursday Service* - Join us on Thursday, March 29 at 6:30 PM for a Maundy Thursday meal and Communion Service. We will gather together in the Fellowship Hall to share a meal and remember the story of Jesus' last meal with his disciples. This is a unique opportunity to reflect on the night of Jesus' betrayal with fellow believers and to share the cup together. Please make a reservation for dinner by contacting the church office.

Easter Sunday Services* - Our Holy Week experience will culminate with Easter Sunday worship on Sunday, April 1st, 8:45 and 11:00 AM. Come and help us raise our Alleluias in celebration of the Risen Christ!

*Childcare is provided for all children from birth through age 5.

Coming up at Greystone

Practice Resurrection Study - In this time of transition at Greystone, it is really important to have practices and tools that strengthen our sense of togetherness. One of the ways we can do this is to study and discuss something together.

During Lent, our Adult Sunday School classes will be reading and discussing, *Practice Resurrection*, by Eugene Peterson. In *Practice Resurrection*, Peterson brings the voice of Scripture ~ especially Paul's letter to the Ephesians ~ and the voice of the contemporary Christian congregation together to unpack what it means to fully grow up "to the stature of Christ." Through all of us reading and discussing this book by Peterson, my hope is that we will all understand how to bring Christian character to the center of our lives.

In addition to these Sunday morning opportunities to join in on the discussion, we will also offer study groups on Monday mornings with Allan Smith and Steve Rose at 10:30 in the Gathering Room and on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 with Amanda Atkin.

We hope you will find a way to join your friends and church family in this study. Paul's letter to the believers in Ephesus was crucial in the development of the early church and can still be a trusted guide for us in today's modern church.

Wednesday Night Dinners at Greystone - We will accept reservations until noon on Mondays. You can reserve your meal by filling in a reservation card (located in the Sanctuary pew racks) and placing that card in the offering plates, calling the church office or by signing up through our church website. Meals are \$7 per adult and \$4 per child with a family cap of \$20. Menu for 3/14: Lemon Chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll.

Habitat Workdays - Churches from the Wake Missionary Baptist Association and the Raleigh Baptist Association are partnering together to build Habitat homes in 2018. Greystone is a part of that effort again this year. We have one more work day volunteers may sign up for - Friday, March 23. You can sign up at the back of the sanctuary. For more information contact Johnny Glover at johnnyglover1950@yahoo.com.

Second Sunday Family Fellowship - All families are invited across the street at Sawmill Taproom for lunch together after the 11:00 worship today. This is a wonderful way for families to connect with one another and enjoy fellowship time together. This is organized by the Preschool/Children's Ministry Committee. Contact April Alston with any questions.

Pastor Search Update - On February 4, Greystone held the first of three Congregational Conversations in conjunction with the Senior Pastor Search Committee process. A second congregational conversation will be held March 18 at from 4:00 - 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Dr. Bill Wilson will lead us once again, this time exploring Greystone's present activities and vision. How is our church living out our mission? Your remarks and questions will lead the the Search Committee in helping to understand God's will for our church. Child care will be provided, but all youth grades 6 and up are encouraged to attend. For more information on the first conversation, please check out the website or upcoming newsletter. Please continue to pray for our church in this process. Please let Annie Hardison-Moody know if you need childcare on the 18th (anniehardison@gmail.com).

Vacation Bible School - Mark your calendars and plan to join us August 2 - 5 for an exciting time of learning and growing together at VBS. We are once again planning to invite our friends from Restoration Church and Cedar Point Apartments. It was such a treat to do VBS together last year and such a blessing to all.

We need a few more folks on the planning team to work on curriculum, logistics, advertisement and recruitment of volunteers. Please join us in this important work and/or plan to join the volunteer team for the actual event. Let April Alston or Katie Eller know if you are interested in either team.

Randy and Ann Ashcraft Contact Info -For those who wish to share words of encouragement or express support, you can do so by emailing Randy and Ann at crashcraft1@gmail.com. Their mailing address is 10 Tow Path Circle, Richmond, VA 23221.

Sunday, March 11

8:45 & 11:00 am	Daylight Saving Begins
9:45	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Sunday School
4:00	Second Sunday Family Fellowship
5:00	Grace Tones Ensemble Rehearsal
7:00	Student Choir Rehearsal
	Youth Dinner and Fellowship

Monday, March 12

10:30 am	Practice Resurrection Study, Gathering Rm.
6:00 pm	Personnel Committee Meeting
6:30	AA Women's Group
	Living Last Supper Rehearsal, Sanctuary
8:00	AA Co-ed Group

Tuesday, March 13

9:30 am	Staff Meeting
6:30 pm	AA Women's Group
7:00	Deacon Meeting

Wednesday, March 14

5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Live Dinner
6:00	Children's Worship Arts & Music (WAM!)
6:15	Prayer & Adult Study
	Youth Selah
6:45	Children - Mission Study
7:15	Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 16

8:00 pm	AA Group
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Sunday, March 18

David Alston, Suzanne Best, Susan Burnette, John Clark,
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Elizabeth Worley

Our Mission

WITH CHRIST AS THE CORNERSTONE, WE WILL BUILD A CHURCH
OF LIVING STONES, WHERE EVERY MEMBER IS A MINISTER AND IS
EQUIPPED TO EXPRESS GOD'S LOVE BY WORD AND DEED TO ALL PEOPLE.